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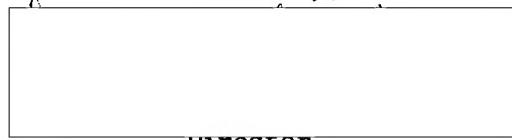
The Honorable Fred C. Ikle
Under Secretary of Defense for Policy
U.S. Department of Defense
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Secretary Ikle:

I would like to express my appreciation for the talk given to the annual FBIS bureau chiefs conference by Dr. Darnell Whitt. All of us found Dr. Whitt's presentation on the DOD use of our products enlightening, and Dr. Whitt's manner of presentation enlivening.

FBIS is constantly trying to get a better idea of who our consumers are and how we can better serve them, especially in view of our modernization program which will provide a greater variety of electronic services and realtime and near-realtime video from various parts of the world. Our discussions with Dr. Whitt enable us to serve you better, and we plan to maintain a dialogue with him as our plans develop.

Sincerely,



Director

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